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# A FIRESIDE CHAT WITH FDR

## Inspired...

Inspiration comes from many sources. At SJC, we only need look at our history—125 years of vision from our SJC forefathers/foremothers. Religious leaders like Gaspar del Bufalo and St. Katharine Drexel and “living icons” like **Fr. Leonard Kostka, C.P.P.S. ’35** are respected and loved. Pumas of all ages have been and still are inspired by their devotion to this community and its mission.

Recently, Music students and alumni journeyed to Vatican City and other cities in Italy to not only sing and to experience the culture, but to explore the divine. The travelers returned deeply touched with a personal significance. SJC provides an environment where the intellect and the soul find common ground leading to self-discovery.

Pumas inspire one another. Because our students are “Involved For Life,” alumni have a strong voice and actively contribute to the vitality of SJC through campus presentations, internships, funding of projects, and other ways of “giving back.” Stories such as those of **Andrew Costello ’08** assert the power of the Puma to make change for the better in society. Alumni are inspiring students to lead and serve others using this kind of active citizenry.

The fire of the Core Program has been burning bright for nearly 50 years and continues to light a path for those who seek to uncover their beliefs and values, led by personal mentors that students find in faculty who instill in them the ability and desire to achieve, discover, create, and challenge themselves.

Inspiration is not something you can measure. But the “return on investment” is clear, and this new century will bear the fruit of the past century of inspiration.

**Do you know of someone who could benefit from the experience of an SJC education?**

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“Give attention to those inspirations which God imprints upon you as you meditate, so that you will be able to recognize whatever is in keeping with and correspondent to His divine will...”

—Gaspar del Bufalo

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Costello (center) and volunteers participate in an Operation Leftover "Roll Out."



# ANDREW COSTELLO '08

**A**ndrew Costello '08 felt a call to serve the homeless during his senior year at the University of Detroit Jesuit High School, where every senior was responsible for completing a senior service course. Costello chose to complete his project at the Manna Soup Kitchen in downtown Detroit. For Costello, the project was just the beginning of his calling.

Costello chose SJC after hearing about it from his social studies teacher, **Louis Offer '69**. An English: Creative Writing major and Human Resource minor, Costello's service activities were consistent throughout his four years. He participated in Rake and Run, Kairos, Habitat for Humanity, and assisted with Rensselaer Central High School's Annual Cross Country Invitational. Costello also served as a resident assistant, Kairos leader, and was a member of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, which annually hosts Kids Night Out for children of the Rensselaer community.

"The various opportunities to serve as a student at SJC reminded me that going out and volunteering is no complex process. Rather, it starts with being involved in your community and not being afraid to step outside your comfort zone," said Costello.

"If [Costello] got involved with something, he carried it through until the job was complete," said SJC Campus Minister **Br. Tim Hemm, C.P.P.S. '70**. "He was an inspiration to the SJC community."

After graduating, Costello continued his call to service. In 2010, he attended a cookout sponsored by the Frassati Society of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish in Carmel, Ind.

"There were many leftover hot dogs and hamburgers, and I did not want them to go to waste," said Costello.

After a friend suggested giving the food to the homeless of Indianapolis, Costello packed up the leftovers and purchased hamburger and hot dog buns, Gatorade, and other snacks. Costello put the food in a cooler and took it to work with him. During his lunch hour, Costello walked the streets of Indianapolis and gave food to those who appeared to be down on their luck. It was clear to Costello that he was being called to make this a regular occurrence.

"My goal was to not only provide individuals with food, but also faith, fellowship, and community resource information," said Costello.

Since the first time Costello walked through Indianapolis with his cooler, his ministry has grown immensely. Friends began helping and donations were made. In 2012, the Archdiocese of Indianapolis Office of Young Adult and College Campus Ministry began promoting the ministry, which resulted in more volunteers and donations.

According to Costello, his ministry, which is referred to as "Operation Leftover," would not have found success without the support of Fr. Rick Nagel, pastor of St. John's Catholic Church in Indianapolis, Ind. and Rensselaer native.

Nagel, whose sisters **Judith Nagel Egan '89** and **Kristina Nagel Dobson '93** attended SJC, said the College is an important place to his family: "I used to often stop



# ANSWERS HIS CALL

## *To Help the Least of Our Brothers and Sisters*

by SJC's Lourdes Grotto to pray as a teenager, needing guidance and direction from God . . . SJC has been a great beacon of light in the world, and I am deeply grateful for the College's influence on the city of Rensselaer and the world. I have several SJC graduates in the Indianapolis community who were well formed as servant leaders for the Church and world during their time in college."

Nagel is an advocate of helping the poor, causing him to fully support Costello's ministry. Nagel orchestrates St. John's Garden Ministry, which provides sandwiches, water, and other amenities to more than 70 needy people every day.

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**ANDREW COSTELLO '08**

"God inspires Andrew," said Nagel. "Andrew believes, listens, and acts on God's will for his life. This in turn inspires his peers to be obedient to God's will in their own lives. Andrew has a real passion for the ministry and this is contagious as he speaks and shares the story of Christ and the Church . . . [Operation Leftover] emulates the beauty of the Church's teaching about preference for the poor and the dignity of all human life."

Once a month, Costello organizes and invites people to participate in a "Roll Out," meaning volunteers walk the Indianapolis streets and minister to those who are less fortunate and provide them with blankets, pillows, clothing, food, drinks, toiletries, resource information, prayer, and fellowship.

"I am inspired to work with the homeless because I like seeing balance in the world," said Costello. "I believe that anything 'extra' that I have can and should be considered for donation to those who need it."

In addition to food, ministry, and the other items Operation Leftover provides, Costello hopes to soon have a list of employers and other referral services willing to hire those he comes in contact with.



For more information or to participate in one of Operation Leftover's monthly Roll Outs, contact Andrew Costello at [operationleftover@gmail.com](mailto:operationleftover@gmail.com) or visit [www.indycatholic.org/operation-leftover/](http://www.indycatholic.org/operation-leftover/).

# NEW WEBSITE'S RESPONSIVE DESIGN MOVES RECRUITMENT FORWARD > > >

After a year of research and planning, Saint Joseph's College launched a new website in November 2013. It had been many years (2006-07) since the last major overhaul—in fact, the old website was an artifact of the days when social media was just getting started. In order for SJC to keep up with its competitors, its website strategy needed to shift focus: top-level pages had to be geared toward the prospective student; Admissions required better functionality of online forms (e.g., inquiry, application); social media had to be embedded and integrated; the architecture needed to reflect industry standards, and search engine optimization (SEO) needed to be improved.

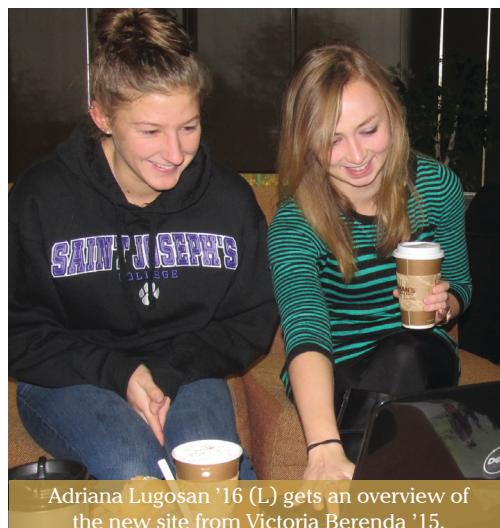
These were challenging goals, but there was more to consider. Helping us navigate through the new technology was mStoner, the leading web strategy firm in higher education, devoted exclusively to serving colleges and universities. mStoner did research on campus with stakeholders and informed the project with the latest industry standards. Research uncovered the fact that a visitor is likely to start an online task on one device and complete it on another, and the web design world had just opened the door to a way of dealing with this new user scenario: *responsive design*. The entire SJC website is built in *responsive design*, which means the site is built for 21<sup>st</sup> century tablets, phones, and all devices. This helps SJC to be highly competitive. “The responsive web design is an essential tool that will enhance our ability to communicate with prospective students across the globe,” said SJC Director of Admissions Michael Ramian.

The Core Program—the hallmark of the Saint Joseph's College experience—is at the heart of the new website. Doug Gapinski, Strat-

egist at mStoner, explains: “Finding inspiration is often about helping our clients talk about what makes them different. Check out the ‘Explore the Core’ feature that runs along the right side of each page of the new site—it’s a new destination that helps the public understand what is different and inspirational about an education at Saint Joseph's College.” Just as Core is integrated into the major, it is integrated into the site architecture and navigation.

“The project team’s desire to launch a website that represents the SJC experience in an authentic and compelling way inspired us to do some of our best work. The new www.saintjoe.edu is a result of a strong and collaborative relationship, and we’re proud to have been partners with SJC in this effort.”

—Voltaire Santos Miran, CEO, mStoner



Adriana Lugosan '16 (L) gets an overview of the new site from Victoria Berenda '15.

## DID YOU KNOW?

At the start of 2014, less than 10% of higher education websites had a responsive design website.

Collaborating with faculty to update major/minor, graduate, and department pages with talking points and stories, Integrated Marketing's student worker, Victoria Berenda '15, played a major role in moving the project forward: “My biggest task was writing the academic pages. This required analyzing the old pages and writing and editing copy for the new pages. I also worked on student profiles and alumni success stories, which required interviewing, writing, editing, and web design. This was great experience for a job. I have probably learned every bit as much as a marketing assistant in SJC’s Integrated Marketing Office as I have in my classes. Although there was a lot to get done, I enjoyed the work.”

With the new content management system, not only will search engine optimization (SEO) be more effective, but it enables SJC web editors the opportunity to update their content quickly and easily.

Enhanced analytics will allow for an improved understanding of what is of interest to prospective students and other site visitors. As of mid-February, search traffic went up as compared to the old site, 48%-51%, and bounce rate went down, 38%-35%, meaning people are spending more time on the site viewing pages they want



Myranda Eckberg '15, Morgan Akre '15, Gabi Nearing '14, Stephanie Winter '15



Scene from Zion National Park in Utah



Jake Roberts '13 with a tag at third base

## A PICTURE IS NOW WORTH MORE THAN A THOUSAND WORDS

The Photography of Fr. Tim McFarland, C.PPS. '78

The new website is built for the 21st century, the “century of design.” In this age of online storytelling, visuals are becoming increasingly important. Fr. Tim McFarland’s photography is taking center stage to tell the SJC story.

### How did you get interested in photography?

I picked up photography when I was a student at SJC. I did 35mm slides and a few prints. When I was in theology graduate school, I developed black and white film and did student directory photos. At the parish where I first served, one of the parishioners was a professional photographer and helped me select a 35mm camera; I did some nature photography and took photos of the youth group. When I came back to the College, I supervised the student photographers and expanded the darkroom. We did black and white photos for the public relations office. In about 2000, I got my first digital camera (point & shoot). I missed having the control over the camera as I had with the single-lens reflex (SLR) cameras and eventually got a digital SLR camera and haven’t looked back since. I did photos of some of the construction projects we had going on at the College and also started taking some sports team photos.

“Many parents thank me for photos of their sons and daughters in sports (especially), as they can’t always make it to competitions, so they get a chance to see them via photography.”

### What inspires you now?

I would say the gift of God’s creation, in all its forms...nature and people. I love travel and usually pick my vacation destinations with an eye to photos. I really like the Southwest—there are some beautiful sites there. I try to

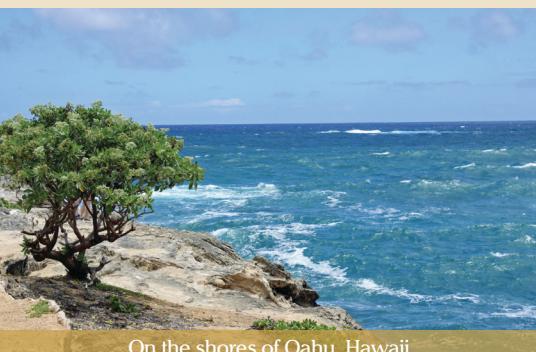
be attuned to the colors in nature as well as the way light affects the photos. Obviously I like to capture the beauty close to home on our campus—and it gives alumni the opportunity to reminisce about their time here.

I also enjoy taking photos of students—in sports, stage productions, musical performances, and just in general. I like to focus on facial expressions—especially in sports. I hope to capture the intensity of the sport through facial expressions and body movement. Lately I’ve been trying to play with light—especially with what photographers call the “sweet light” shortly after dawn and before sunset. You’ll see in some of the photos of people, I really try to focus on faces and facial expression. I think the students enjoy it and it provides them with material for their Facebook and Twitter accounts.

### Anything else about your photography?

As I’ve told many people, I could never go back to film—I just shoot too many photos. As you know, I have my photo website where I post various photos. Photography provides me with a creative outlet and interaction with students on a different level. I maintain my photo archive, which contains thousands of photos that often come in handy for many different people.

For more of Fr. Tim’s photos, go to [www.saintjoe.edu/node/1287](http://www.saintjoe.edu/node/1287).



On the shores of Oahu, Hawaii



Joe Karpiaak '13 and Alan Austin '13 in *Much Ado about Nothing*



Brittany Morris '17 passes off the ball for the Lady Pumas

than they did on the old site. Integrating SJC social media channels with the new site is another important factor. For the first time, “live stream” social media posts were done from students while in Italy; this was followed by an online photo gallery on the new website to share with a wider audience.

There are many more online projects in the works, as the website is an ongoing process. Although the website serves multiple audiences, the strategy is to keep in mind the primary audience. Berenda summarizes: “As an SJC student, I want the best for the College. I think the new website will make SJC more enticing for prospective students.”



Alyssa '15 and  
Nick Schafer '03

# LEGACY SPOTLIGHT

## NICK SCHAFER '03

I judge an experience largely based on the people, so my SJC experience was a great one. It wasn't always easy, but SJC helped support and push me to grow in ways I never thought possible. I sometimes take for granted that my close friendships with classmates, faculty, and staff are not the universal college experience.

When I was a student, Alyssa came to campus a lot for plays, Campus Ministry programs, and other events. Besides that, I talk about SJC a lot and many of my closest friends are Pumas. When she was looking at colleges, I remember encouraging Alyssa to look at SJC. She talked about being a teacher. My friends, who are now teachers, still talk about how much they benefited from being in a classroom all four years.

I'm really proud of Alyssa and what she's been able to do at SJC. She's always been good with kids, but now she's on her way to becoming a great teacher. She's not satisfied with easy answers, and her students are going to benefit from that.

It's said that college is about finding a place you fit, and SJC has been that place where Alyssa and I seem to "fit."

## ALYSSA SCHAFER '15

I loved coming to campus to visit my brother, so I had hoped that I would come here too. I visited a few other schools but decided on SJC because it already felt like home to me. I knew that I wanted to be a teacher, and my decision to come here was easy because of the Education program. It offered me an experience that would be hard to find anywhere else.

My brother had a big impact on my decision to go to SJC. He told me about all the great opportunities I would have here. He encouraged me to get involved and gave me confidence. I've always looked up to him as a role model, and I'm very lucky to have followed in his footsteps.

It's clear by the way Nick talks about SJC and how often he visits that he had a great experience. He has a strong connection to the College and the people here. I feel like I too have found my place at SJC. My experience would be nothing without the people I have met here and the person that introduced me to it.

I consider myself lucky to be at SJC. I know after I graduate, I'll have an even deeper appreciation for everything that SJC has given me.

*Saint Joseph's College = 125 Years  
Rev. Leonard Kostka, C.P.P.S. '35 = 100 Years*

## FR. KOSTKA: AN SJC ICON

**O**n March 1, 2014, a celebration was held at St. Charles Center in Carthegena, Ohio, to mark a century in the life of **Fr. Leonard J. Kostka, C.P.P.S. '35.**

In his 100 years of life, Fr. Kostka has had a rich history with Saint Joseph's College and with his faith.

At age 17, Fr. Kostka came to Saint Joseph's Preparatory Seminary in Rensselaer. At first, he was unsure about this vocation, but after talking to Professor of Music Paul Tonner, he realized he was in the right place. He attended Saint Joseph's Junior College and left Rensselaer in 1935, the year SJC became a four-year institution. But he was not gone for long.

Fr. Kostka was ordained a priest in 1940 at St. Charles Seminary in Carthegena. He returned to Rensselaer in 1948 to teach Religion. At that time, he took on the role of campus chaplain. Along with being active in students' religious lives, he attended sporting events—especially baseball, basketball, and football (the three sports he played while attending SJC).

Even in recent years, Fr. Kostka has made an effort to make it to games. Friends Harvey and **Carol J. Lane Wood '74** have often driven Fr. Kostka to sporting events. In 2000, Fr. Kostka was inducted into Saint Joseph's College's Sports Hall of Fame for all three sports he played as a student. He says he was inducted because he went to more games than anyone else on campus. Wood says that when she attends the Sports Hall of Fame induction ceremony with Fr. Kostka, "Former athletes just line up to speak with him. He remembers most of them once they tell him their names. He will come back with the sport, the position, and whether they started or not."

Fr. Kostka acknowledges that the priesthood was the right vocation for him, but it is not for everyone. Still, he holds that all of us

have a vocation, whether it is secular, marital, or religious. Through his priestly vocation, Fr. Kostka was able to spend time at Saint Joseph's College—teaching, living, and learning. His faith allowed him to spread the Gospel in the classroom at SJC. He believes that every branch of learning is somewhat derived from God's great plan.

Fr. Kostka reflected: "What makes SJC great? What makes Heaven great? We all get together and love each other."

Through such simple yet profound ideas, Fr. Kostka has inspired many people and shown his love for God and the people around him. Some call him our own living saint, and it seems clear as to why.

Visit the SJC website for the full article on Fr. Kostka: [www.saintjoe.edu/fr-kostka-living-icon](http://www.saintjoe.edu/fr-kostka-living-icon)

"I've often felt that when I'm around

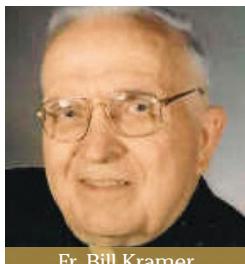
Fr. Kostka, I'm as close to a living saint as I'll ever get." —Br. Rob Reuter, C.P.P.S., PhD

President Riegellegg and  
**Fr. Leonard Kostka, C.P.P.S. '35**



# CORE CURRICULUM TIMELINE

Our first installment of the 125th anniversary storytelling project is about the Core Curriculum.



Fr. Bill Kramer

## PRELUDER: 1962-68

The most influential external factor that influenced the College to redesign general education were documents that came out of the Second Vatican Council, 1962 to 1965. The new Program was scheduled for implementation in 1969. **Fr. Bill Kramer, C.P.P.S. '41** was appointed as the first coordinator.



Dr. John Nichols

## THE "HEROIC AGE": 1969-75

Fr. Kramer presided over the Core Curriculum during the most difficult years. The label "Heroic Age" refers to the difficult work of inventing each Core segment semester by semester for the first time. In 1969-70, the first two Core courses were offered; then, a crisis developed in 1971: some faculty concluded that SJC ought to abandon the venture, but a critical mass of faculty would not let Core die.



John Groppe



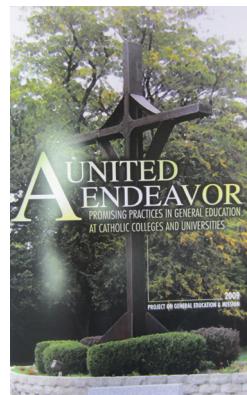
Dr. Charles Kerlin

## MATURATION: 1976-92

During this time, an eight-semester writing program for Core was inspired by John Groppe, Dr. Charles Kerlin, and Fr. Alvin Druhman, and the goals of Core were adopted by the Faculty Assembly. Dr. John Nichols became the Core Coordinator in 1973. An example of the growing national recognition of the quality of the Core Curriculum was when Ernest Boyer told a McNeil-Lehrer audience not to look at the big schools like Harvard, but at schools like SJC to see what was really exciting in higher education.

## THE NEXT LEVEL: 1992-2000

In the pursuit of academic quality, a grant project sought to make collaboration between Core and the majors planned, deliberate, and institutionalized. The SJC mission statement was rewritten; faculty worked out a local philosophy of assessment; and a report on assessment was put together for North Central's Higher Learning Commission.



## LEADERSHIP: 2001-14

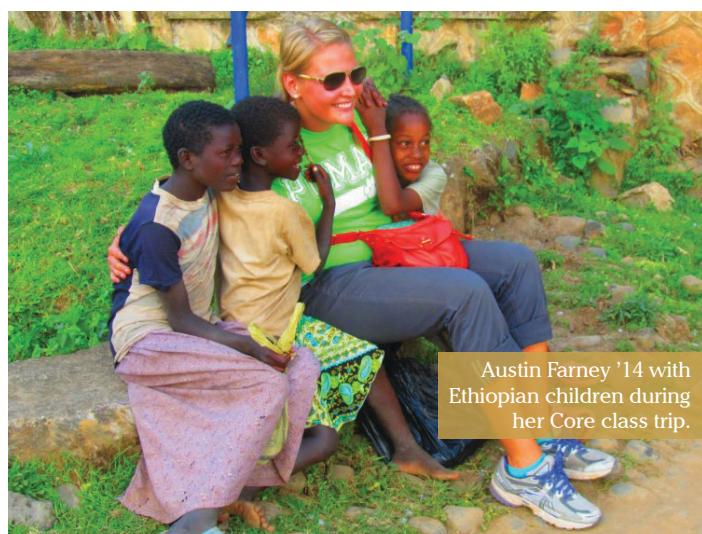
SJC played a leading role in four national projects and in other activities of three higher education associations. Dr. Nichols spearheaded AACU projects and the President Emeritus of the University of Rochester, Dennis O'Brien, published an article in *Commonweal* that stated: "...I learned a great deal at SJC about actually *doing* Catholic higher education."



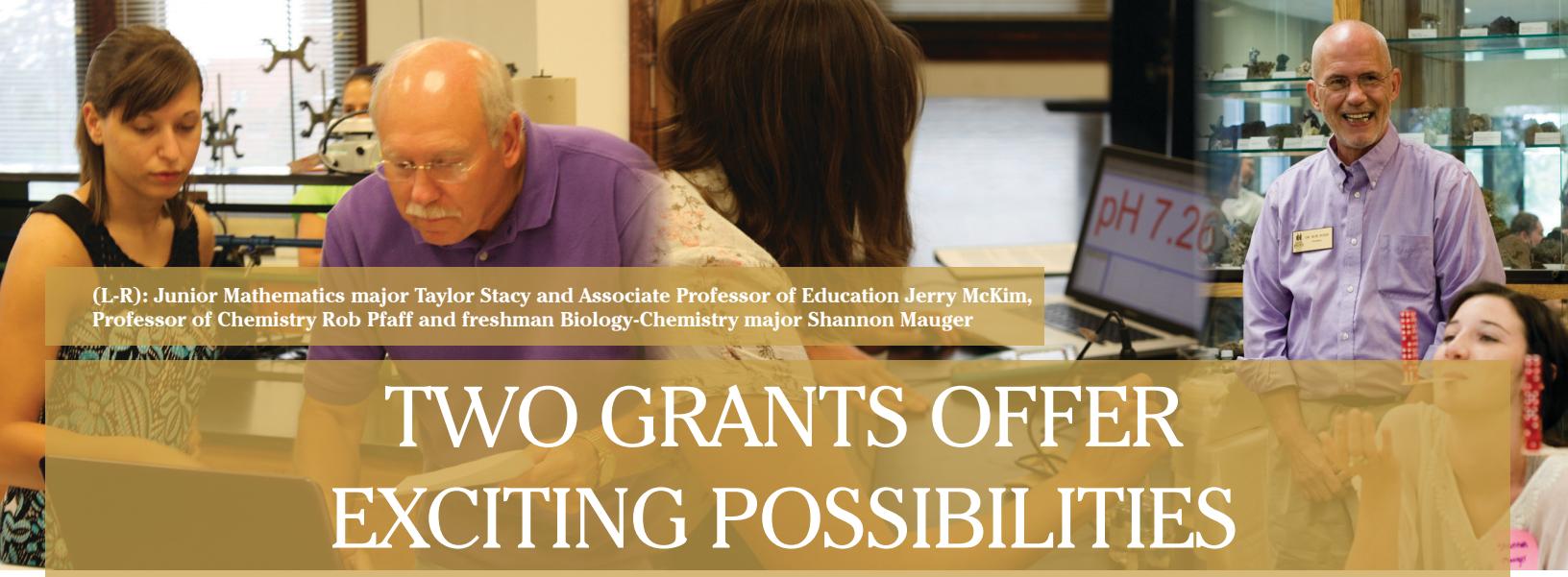
Saint Joseph's College . . . pledges itself to a tradition of excellence and to a liberal education that is a united endeavor of intelligence and faith.

## THE FUTURE

Responding to some of the challenges that face Core, these opportunities are worth considering: focus on student learning; engage students in more active learning; faculty can attend more professional conferences and workshops. Core's strengths promise significant accomplishments—a small selection: faculty collegiality and collaboration; teaching in Core fosters faculty development; and students gain an advantage in the job market.



Austin Farney '14 with Ethiopian children during her Core class trip.



(L-R): Junior Mathematics major Taylor Stacy and Associate Professor of Education Jerry McKim, Professor of Chemistry Rob Pfaff and freshman Biology-Chemistry major Shannon Mauger

## TWO GRANTS OFFER EXCITING POSSIBILITIES

**T**wo grants awarded to the College in 2013 will help expand the horizons of current and future SJC students. One is a \$1 million grant from Lilly Endowment—creating programs that inspire students to make connections inside and outside of the College to better prepare them for a career.

“The Endowment has seen firsthand that colleges and universities have the ability and desire to help improve the job prospects of college graduates in Indiana, and we wanted to give them the resources to be even more strategic and ambitious,” said Sara B. Cobb, vice president for education at the Endowment.

SJC created four strategies to achieve this goal. First, the College will improve connections between the Core Program, academic majors and advising, and career development services. Second, SJC will work with Ancilla College and Calumet College of St. Joseph to better serve Northwest Indiana students, expand its online RN-to-BSN completion program, and explore other health-related programs. Next, the College will work to establish more relationships statewide to increase learning and networking opportunities for students. Finally, the College will create a business technology center as well as purchase STEM laboratory equipment/instruments, and new technology for career services.

The goal is to better prepare graduates and improve their chances of employment after college.

“This grant opens up exciting possibilities and increased opportunities for our students and graduates,” said SJC President Dr. F. Dennis Riegelhennig. “They will be better prepared to find jobs in Indiana that match their skill sets and degrees.”

In addition to the grant from Lilly Endowment, the Indiana Space Grant Consortium (INSGC) awarded Saint Joseph’s College a \$15,000 grant for its Freshman STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) Retention Program, marking the second straight year that SJC was awarded an INSGC grant. The objective of the STEM

Retention Program is to retain students in STEM majors by offering them additional valuable resources.

In Fall 2013, 24 incoming freshmen enrolled in the STEM program and began participating in programs to help them succeed in their field of study. These students had the opportunity to develop STEM-related academic skills, foster social connections among other freshmen and upperclassmen, and learn about career opportunities from SJC alumni. At the start of the second semester, the students began working closely with STEM faculty and fellow students in their major to conduct hands-on research.

“We believe this program can have a significant impact on helping students achieve their goals, build connections, and gain a valuable perspective on their future careers,” said SJC Associate Professor of Physics Dr. Jennifer Coy.

Coy continued, “These events targeted key academic skills, including: note-taking methods, time management skills, studying and test-taking strategies, data collection and analysis, graphing and visualizing data, scientific report writing, and communicating ideas in written and verbal form. Additionally, students attended SJC’s first annual Sustainability and Alternative Energy Forum, among other social events.”

“The STEM program has definitely helped me with my grades and made the transition from high school to SJC easier by allowing me to learn skills I will need in the classes I take for my major,” said freshman Biology-Chemistry major Colena Rathburn of Donovan, Ill. “It has helped me to become more involved with other students and allowed me to meet people in the same major. The professors are always willing to give us any extra help we need, and they ensure that the program focuses on the skills we will use in our future professions.”

The second portion of the program is underway now, and several more events are planned for the semester, including a trip to Wolf Park in Lafayette, Ind., a “Chemistry of Raku” event, and a networking event with alumni who studied a STEM subject. Dr. Coy and the rest of the faculty working on the program hope to continue the program next year.

# REALIZING THEIR DREAMS

**T**hink back to the time you first began your college search. The endless stream of forms, financial considerations, and countless hours of research and campus visits combined to create a seemingly insurmountable task. Perhaps the pain of the process was mitigated by the help of siblings or parents who have been through it themselves and know what needs to be done. For first-generation students, the first in their families to navigate the path to college, the challenge is far greater.

“Being a first-generation college student, I had no footsteps to follow in regards to the college search and admission process,” said freshman Music major Jesse Res of Hammond, Ind. “There are a lot of colleges and universities in Indiana, and it was up to me to decide the perfect fit. I had to figure out what FAFSA was, how I could afford college, and what size college was best for me. Sorting through those questions while maintaining a busy high school schedule made the process more stressful.”

“I remember being really nervous because I didn’t know what to expect,” said junior Psychology major Mary DeVault of Merrillville, Ind. “I also wasn’t sure what I wanted to do. At the same time, I was excited because it was a new experience, and I was the first in my family to do it.”

Although first-generation students face a lot of firsts, for them and their families, most aren’t left to fend for themselves. There is always support available, whether from admissions offices, high school guidance counselors, friends, or extended family. The Office of Admissions at SJC works hard to ensure all of the College’s prospective students have the assistance they need to get through the process.

“The Office of Admissions at SJC was the best,” said Res. “From the time I applied until I moved in, they were there to help me. My Admissions Counselor, Rachael Yake, was incredible. She kept in constant contact with me throughout my senior year of high school via texts, emails, and phone calls. I even visited with her when she stopped by my high school. Whenever I had a question, she was there to help me. She was an instrumental part in my admission and scholarships, and I am very grateful for all of her help.”

There are certainly difficulties inherent in being a first-generation student, but once the search and application process ended and freshman year began, the students embraced the SJC experience. DeVault traveled to Athens, Ga. and Amarillo, Texas with SJC’s chapter of Habitat for

Humanity; freshman Music major Donny Mori of Crown Point, Ind. traveled to Italy with the SJC Choirs; and Res is a member of the SJC Band, Concert Choir, Puma Educators Association, and National Association for Music Education.

“My freshman year has been great. I have had new experiences and met many new and incredible people,” said Res. “I am so happy that I chose a college where I am a name and not a number.”

Res, DeVault, and Mori are just a few of SJC’s many first-generation students. Mori and DeVault had the honor of receiving the Realizing the Dream Award, given to first-generation students for outstanding achievement in their freshman year. Recipients of the award are honored at an annual banquet in Indianapolis. They receive \$2,000 to help with college costs, and each student’s chosen “most influential” teacher receives \$1,000. The event is made possible by a grant from Lilly Endowment administered through the Independent Colleges of Indiana.

“The Realizing the Dream Award proved very beneficial,” said Mori. “In addition to reducing my tuition, it gave people the chance to see who I am and what I can accomplish.”

One of the benefits of being a first-generation college student is the desire to help others like them. Mori, Res, and DeVault had plenty of advice to offer to students beginning their college search or in the midst of the admission process.

“Take it one step at a time, have fun, and keep your family involved,” said Res. “It is as exciting for them as it is for you. Also, do not let the price of college prevent you from applying. There are great scholarships available that can reduce costs.”

“Know that you are not alone in the process,” said DeVault. “Relax and do your research, and look into as many scholarships as you can.”

“Your friends are going to want you to go to school with them, but not every student is right for one school,” said Mori. “It’s okay to attend college fairs with friends, but don’t let them make your decision for you. And no matter how embarrassed you may feel, don’t ever be afraid to ask questions.”

Junior Psychology major  
Mary DeVault of Merrillville, Ind.



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# A CUT ABOVE: PROFESSORS, STUDENTS EMBRACE NEW EDITING SOFTWARE

**A**ssociate Professor of Communication Fred Berger began taking students to California on and off beginning in 1987 through a program at the University of California Los Angeles called “The Media Workshops.” As part of the program, students learned about the journalism, television, and film industry. In the early 2000’s, Berger started doing a smaller, SJC-only workshop. He asked SJC alumnus **Bob Semmer ’83** if students could take a tour of Fotokem, a film and digital production facility in Burbank. Semmer, Fotokem’s COO, introduced the students to the world of audio and video post-production.

“While in California, professional editors told the students that most major motion pictures and television shows are cut on Avid and encouraged the students to learn Avid,” said Berger.

This was one of several factors that proved to be an impetus to abandon the Department of Communication’s editing software in favor of Avid. With the Mass Communication major changing to Digital Media and Journalism in Fall 2014, the department will emphasize three things: writing, storytelling, and production. Adopting Avid was a logical decision because it is one of the most recognizable non-linear editing tools in the world.

The department’s previous editing software, Sony Vegas, began as a digital audio editing system. Because the students learned the user interface in their introductory audio course and carried that familiarity into the video courses, it proved to be a valuable asset. However, when students would graduate and find work in TV stations, they would always have to learn a different editing system. Both Final Cut and Avid are popular professional editing platforms, but Final Cut is limited to Mac users and has faced criticism for not supporting the professional editing industry. The decision to switch to Avid revealed itself as the logical choice.

Selecting Avid was a simple task compared to the next step—learning how to use it. In 2013, Berger applied for a Presidential Innovation Grant, a program started by SJC Pres-

ident Dr. F. Dennis Riegellegg to encourage innovation by faculty members. The grant paid for the five-day Avid Educators Boot Camp at the company’s headquarters in Burbank.

Berger and his classmates—from such places as the American Film Institute and New York Film Academy—took two courses, each one normally standalone, in those five days. Berger said he never had a more intense educational experience. After completing the boot camp, Berger was named an Avid Certified Instructor. The next step is for SJC to become an Avid Learning Partner and offer courses to students from inside and outside the College to become Avid Certified Users.

The Communication Department will employ Avid in Basic Video Production, Advanced Video Production, and Video Field Production courses. Additionally, students working in the department’s news operations will start to learn Avid, as will seniors working on their capstone projects. Associate Professor of Communication Sally Berger made the decision to adopt Pro Tools, the industry standard in digital audio workstations and an Avid product, for her audio courses.

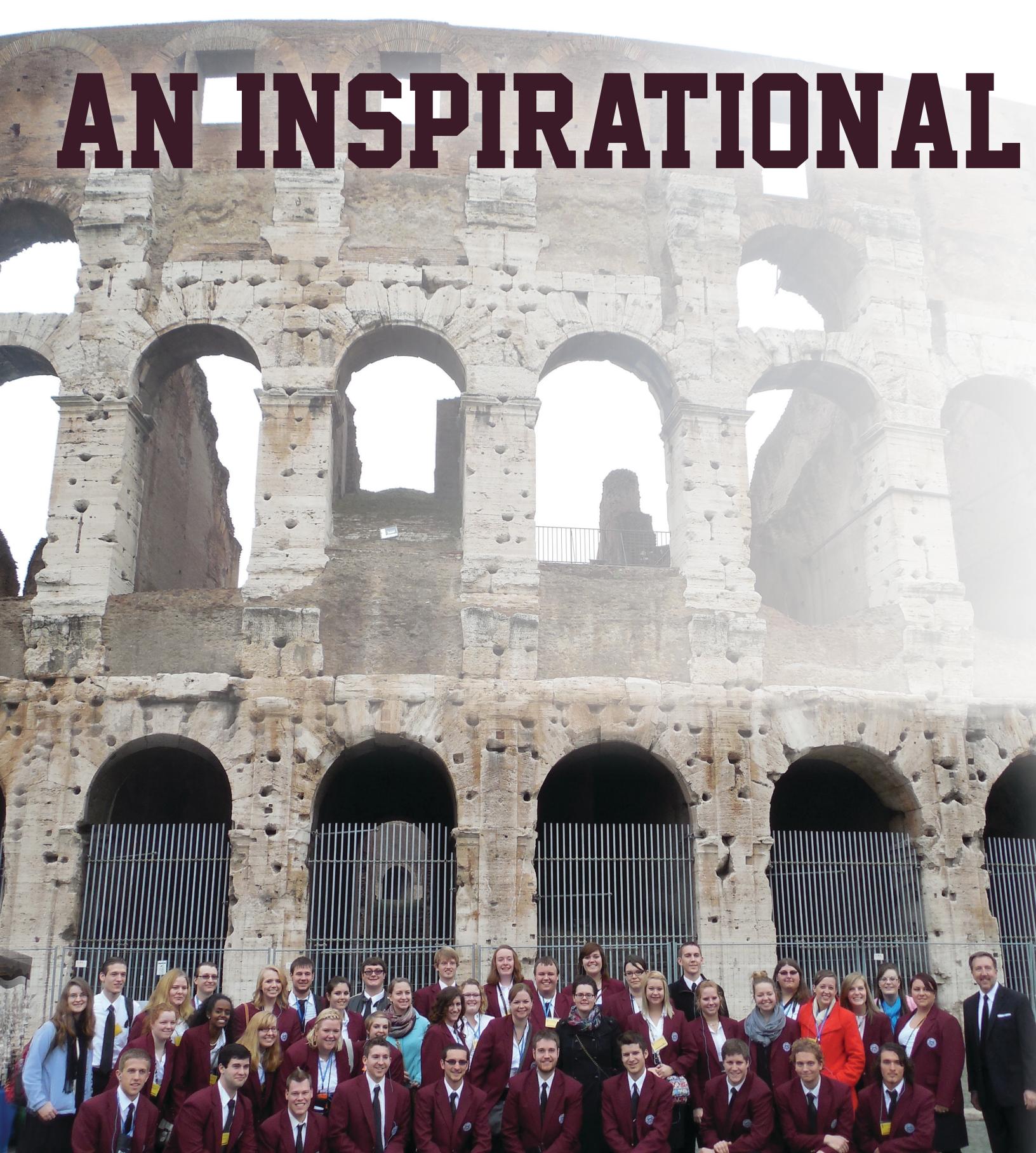
Avid has been a hit with the students who are learning its capabilities, and they deem it a vast improvement over Sony Vegas.

“Avid is simply a better tool than Sony Vegas,” said sophomore Mass Communication major Corie Young of Valparaiso, Ind. “It was designed for the editor and is fairly easy to use once you get the hang of it. Avid is so much more advanced than what we’re used to. It takes a lot of memorization and hands-on practice to run the software, but we’re all very excited to learn more.”

The greatest benefit of switching to Avid will be the boost of confidence and improved credentials it gives to the graduates who used the software.

“Students will immediately see the impact as they can put Avid Media Composer and/or Pro Tools skills on their resumes and know that employers will recognize the tools and assume a level of expertise,” said Berger.

# AN INSPIRATIONAL



1st row: freshman Aaron Ford, senior Harrison Beeson, sophomore Donny Mori, freshman Jake McCoy, Ethan Avina '12, Kelso Daning '13, senior Erich Fischer, senior Ryan Dillon, senior Josiah Lytell, sophomore Graham Avina. 2nd row: freshman Christina O'Connell, senior Fkrti Negassi, freshman Sydney Weber, junior Allison Stanton, junior MacKenzie Tobar, Jenifer Gifford '13, senior Gayle Arend, junior Rebekah Edelman, sophomore Corie Young, sophomore Fia Demske, freshman Jaclyn Leeuw, freshman Jackie Pankau, sophomore Megan Atwood, junior Jordan Wright, Director of Choirs Kelly Ford. 3rd row: Anna Rohaly Marrah '12, senior Clara Suding, sophomore Chloe Broeker, sophomore Taylor Roberts, sophomore Julie Pater, sophomore Lyndsey Mays, sophomore Jonathan Blankman, junior Emily Miles, Ian Evans '13, junior Katelyn Herre, sophomore Katrina Rasmussen. 4th row: James Bertucci '13, freshman Erich Davies, freshman Stephen Nickel, senior Chris Davies, junior Eric Ciba, sophomore Hannah Ramey, junior Katie Davisson.

# JOURNEY

In November, members of the Saint Joseph's College Concert Choir and Chamber Singers, as well as several parents and faculty members, traveled to Italy for a series of concerts and religious services at ancient sites rich in history and tradition.

The highlight of the trip was the closing weekend celebration of the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Cappella Giulia at St. Peter's Basilica in Vatican City. The Cappella Giulia is one of the Basilica's two chapel choirs. As part of its anniversary, notable choirs from around the world were invited to sing, either in concert or Mass, at the Basilica. The SJC Choirs were invited to sing with members of the Resurrection Choir from St. John Cantius Church in Chicago, where SJC's Concert Choir and Chamber Singers sang alongside the Resurrection Choir multiple times.

The choirs spent their first full day in Florence and toured the Church of the Holy Cross. Although they were not scheduled to sing until that evening at the Church of the Holy Trinity, the choirs sang an impromptu set of songs in the monastery off to the side, bringing their tour guide to tears.

"This was the first moment of the trip where it hit me—we were singing in Florence, Italy—and would soon be singing some of the most beautiful music I have sung in some of the most incredible churches in the Roman Catholic world," said **Ethan Avina '12**.

Although a full concert schedule kept the travelers busy, they were given opportunities to explore Italy on their own. Some visited the Ponte Vecchio, the oldest bridge in Florence. The Ponte Vecchio was built in 1345. Some of the world's most well known poets, musicians, artists, and other historical figures have walked the bridge. In addition to seeing ruins, baths, temples, tombs of historical figures, and cathedrals, the choirs also visited many of Italy's tourist attractions, including the Coliseum in Rome.

While visiting the Basilica of St. John Lateran, the choirs saw relics of both St. Paul and St. Peter's skulls and a piece of the table on which Jesus and his disciples ate the Last Supper. After leaving St. John Lateran, the travelers crossed the street to Sancta Sanctorum and saw a relic of the stairs that Jesus climbed in Jerusalem to be judged.

The choirs sang a Pontifical High Mass at Papal Basilica of Santa Maria Maggiore in Rome. Before Mass, the choirs were given a tour of the church and its relics, including pieces of the manger where Jesus laid in Bethlehem.



"At SJC, we take pride in fulfilling the College's mission, which pledges 'a tradition of excellence and to a liberal education that is a united endeavor of intelligence and faith,'" said Assistant Professor of Music and Director of Choirs Kelly Ford. "This trip experience fulfilled every aspect of this mission, something of which we should be very proud."

The travelers also visited the Vatican Museum and the Sistine Chapel while in Vatican City.

"I was in complete wonder in the Sistine Chapel," said English: Creative Writing major and Art and Journalism minor Kathryn Davisson '16. "We were not allowed to take pictures because every portion of the walls and ceilings were covered in frescoes, but it was amazing to see all of them."

The choirs also attended the Papal Blessing in St. Peter's Square, where an estimated 50,000 to 80,000 people gathered to hear Pope Francis speak.

"I don't know if I have ever been in a place with so much happiness radiating from thousands of people," said Avina. "Although Pope Francis did not speak in English, the Angelus was a great experience for all in attendance."

Since returning from Italy, Ford has noticed that the trip has had a tremendous impact on the campus community.

"There has been such an application of knowledge and experience since the trip not only in Music classes, but in all classes at SJC," said Ford. "Core professors have shared wonderful stories of students who have been able to use the trip as a source of information and inspiration in group discussions and academic writing. I am so pleased to see the ways in which a liberal arts curriculum, and especially the Core Program, has been enriched by the experience."

Because the experience was so positive, Ford hopes to arrange a foreign trip for choir students every four years.

"It should almost be a requisite part of the college experience," Ford said. "At SJC, we are so into becoming a person with a global understanding, and there is no better way to do that than to live it."

To experience more of the "Musical Tour of Italy," visit [www.saintjoe.edu/inspiring-journey-sjcs-choir-travels-italy](http://www.saintjoe.edu/inspiring-journey-sjcs-choir-travels-italy).

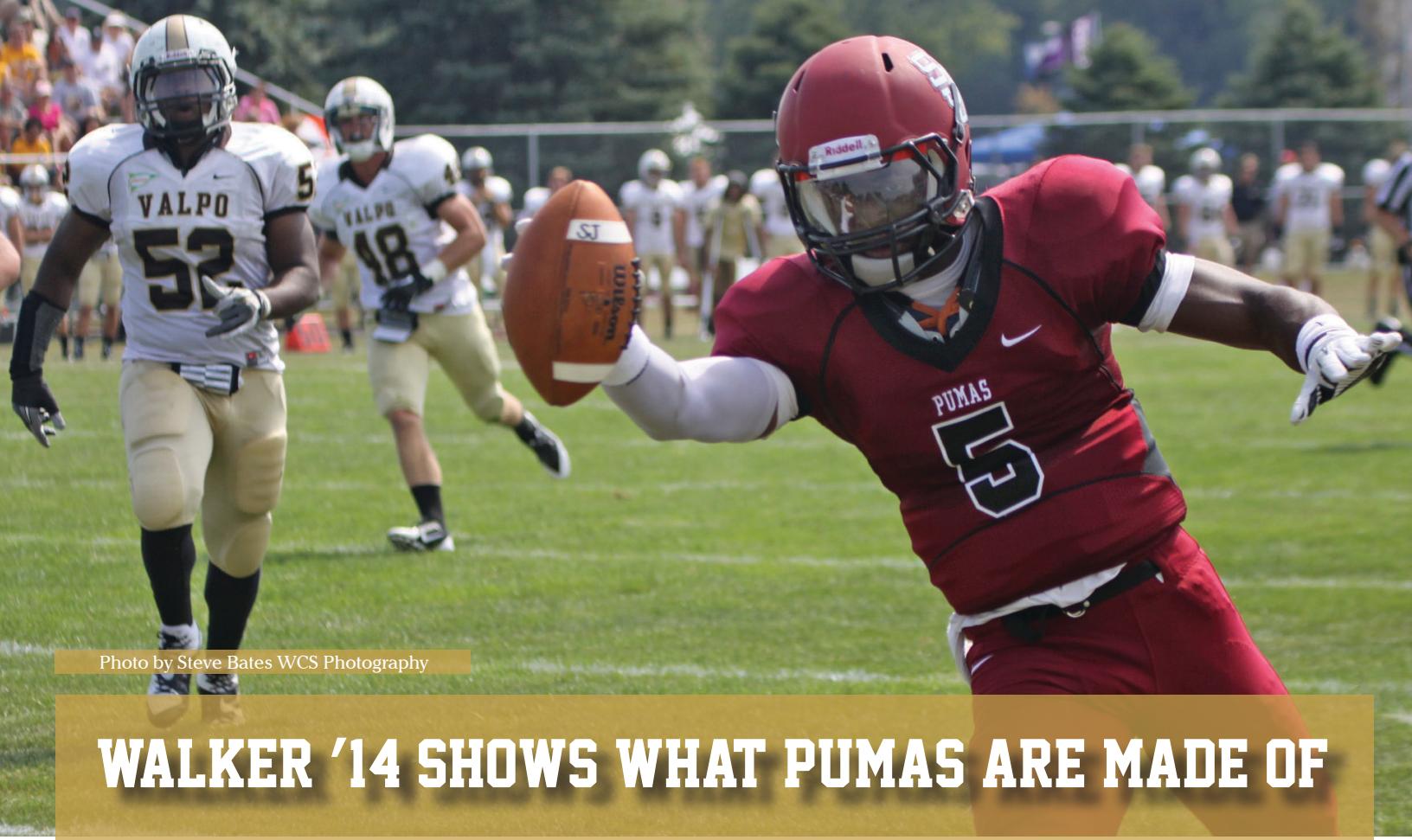


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## WALKER '14 SHOWS WHAT PUMAS ARE MADE OF

*The following is SJC senior Julian Walker's (wide receiver, Indianapolis, Ind.) account of his recent trip to Myrtle Beach, SC to play in the DII/NAIA Challenge. Walker finished second in SJC history in touchdowns (23), receptions (231), and receiving yards (2,425).*

My experience in Myrtle Beach, SC in December for the Collegiate Development Football League (CDFL) DII/NAIA Challenge was one of the best times of my life. The exposure and coaching I received helped me to know where I stand as a player in the country. I have dreamed of playing in professional football since I was a little kid. The opportunity was a blessing from God. The blood, sweat, and tears I put into the game of football was starting to pay off.

This game featured the best players in the country, and to be mentioned in that category is an honor that I will cherish the rest of my life. The Division II team met with the co-founders of the event, George and Peter St. Lawrence. Following the meeting, we met with our coaches for the game. It felt like I was back in camp at Saint Joseph's College.

Our coaches told us the scouts would be watching our every move. I had a good first practice. The second practice got a little crazy as we scrimmaged against the FCS All-Stars. Our DII team was good as we dominated the FCS team in every aspect, which gave us confidence to beat the NAIA All-Stars the next day. I was excited for this

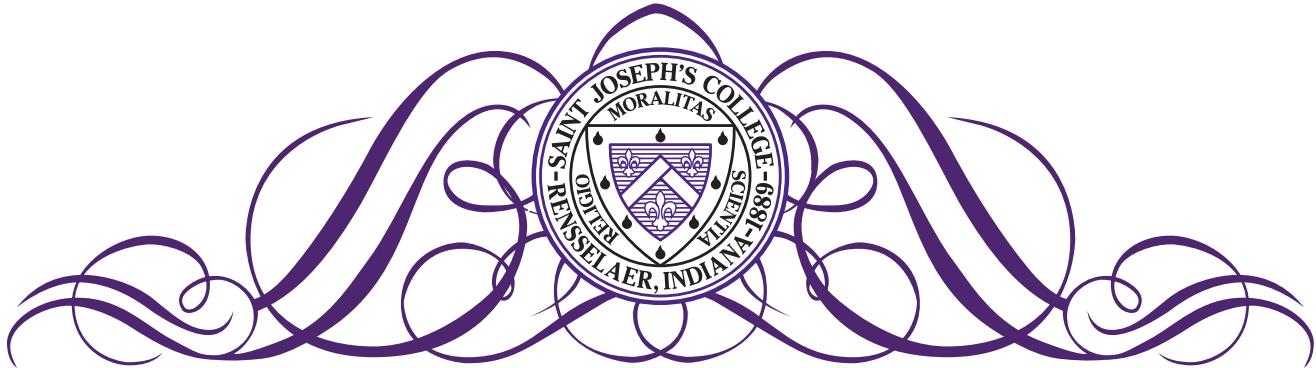
game and had even greater confidence that we were going to defeat the NAIA squad.

Game day arrived. The game was a battle back and forth as both teams played hard. We were down by six on the game's last drive with a chance to win the game. We fell short, as our quarterback threw an incomplete pass into double coverage. It was one of the best games I have been a part of, and I thought I performed well despite the loss. I had 11 catches for 110 yards.

After the game, a little kid was greeting players as we left the field. He asked if he could have my sweaty gloves. It made me feel like I was a superstar.

I had a good time in Myrtle Beach and learned a lot about where I stand as a player. The coaches were impressed and told me that I am a player with great talent. They said to keep working hard because somebody could give me an opportunity on a professional team. That advice gave me the confidence to continue my journey.

I thank all the people who watched, supported, and believed in me throughout my career. I will keep working hard, trying to get better every day. I am glad to represent success as a Puma.



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# FACULTY [NOTES]



Brodman

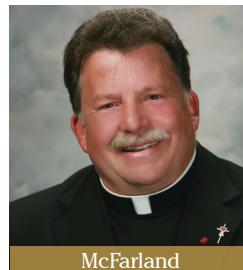
Robert Brodman, PhD, Professor of Biology and Environmental Science, published a chapter in a book in 2013: "Spotted Salamander, *Ambystoma maculatum* Shaw," pp. 113-127, in *Amphibians of Ohio* (eds. R. A. Pfingsten, J. G. Davis, T. O. Matson, G. Lipps, Jr., D. Wynn, and B. J.

Armitage) in *Ohio Biological Survey Bulletin New Series*, volume 17 number 1 xiv + 8. Brodman also received two research grants: National Wildlife Federation Grant for \$8,000 (2014-15) "Impact of Cover Crops on Bird, Insect, and Amphibian Diversity" (with Dr. Tim Rice and Dan Perkins); and Indiana Academic of Science Senior Research Grant for \$2,400 (2014) "The effects of aquatic herbicide application on Spotted Salamander (*Ambystoma maculatum*) eggs and larvae." Brodman gave a workshop presentation in 2013 with Dr. Tim Rice for the Indiana College Biology Teachers Association at Manchester University: "Freshman STEM program: Bridging the gap between high school and college for science, computer, and math majors at Saint Joseph's College."

Anne Gull, PhD, Professor of Chemistry, attended the 246<sup>th</sup> American Chemical Society National Meeting in Indianapolis, September 8-10.

Steven R. Janco, MCM, DMin, was appointed on August 1 to the full-time faculty as Associate Professor and Director of the Rensselaer Program of Church Music and Liturgy. He had been teaching part-time since 2004. Last November, Janco celebrated with the nine students who completed the first-ever Chicago Series in Liturgical Music. During the January annual meeting of the North American Academy of Liturgy, he gave a presentation to the Liturgical Music Seminar: "Before and After Vatican II: Fresh Insights from Two Popes." On February 1, he presented two workshops on liturgical music at the 2014 Liturgical Congress of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee.

John Kennedy, PhD, Associate Professor of Economics, along with his band, Kennedy's Kitchen, released *The Birds Upon The Trees* in 2013; it was selected by NPR affiliate WVPE's program, "The Back Porch," as one of the top 30 releases of 2013.



McFarland

**Fr. Tim McFarland, C.PPS. '78** taught a two-day workshop in June for principals of Catholic schools in the Diocese of Lafayette on New Testament Pastoral Letters and the Book of Revelation. He attended and was principal concelebrant for permanent deacon ordination for

the Diocese of Lafayette on September 20; he attended Ecclesial Lay Ministry commissioning for Diocese of Lafayette on October 2.



Patience Taruwinga, PhD, Assistant Professor of Business Administration, has an article currently in press with co-author Mambo G. Mupepi: "Do cultural dimensions impact business? A comparative analysis of culture in selected South African and US household businesses" in *African Journal of Economic and Sustainable Development*.



Thiel

Robb Thiel, M.S.E., Associate Professor of Music, served as the Auxiliary/Guard Adjudicator for the Highland (Ind.) High School Marching Band Festival on September 7 and for the Kankakee Valley High School Marching Band Festival on September 14; played drum set for the Lowell Church of Christ Worship Team on September 8 and 15; served as the Percussion Adjudicator for the Rockford (Mich.) High School Marching Band Festival on September 21; served as the Visual General Effects Adjudicator at the Rensselaer High School Marching Band Festival on September 28.

Karen Venditti, PhD, Associate Professor of Education, attended the Indiana Association of Teacher Educators 66<sup>th</sup> annual fall conference in Nashville, Ind.; she participated in the Indiana Field Directors' Forum panel presentation on co-teaching; she co-presented "Reimagining Education: Can Co-Teaching Provide a Quality Education in the Classroom?" with SJC's Dr. Jennifer Barce and Dr. Del Gillespie



Venditti

of Valparaiso University. In October, Venditti accompanied four Puma Educators' Association (PEA) members who attended the Indiana Student Education Association's (ISEA) annual fall conference in Indianapolis. She served on the Advisors Advisory Council, representing all Indiana college advisors on the state student board, and led a session with 10 campus advisors from across Indiana. In November, she attended the National Education Association Student Program (NEA-SP) Connections Conference with two Indiana student board members in Las Vegas.

Bill White, PhD, Professor of History, is the oldest man to win the club championship at Hazelden Country Club in Brook, Ind.



Zheleznyak

Maxim Zheleznyak, Assistant Professor of Music and Director of Orchestras, participated in a tour with a Valencian orchestra, Orquestra de la Comunitat Valenciana. He played under maestri Zubin Mehta (a lifetime conductor with Israel Philharmonic Orchestra), Omer Meir Well-

ber, and Carlo Rizzi. From November to December, they had put together four programs that included Brahms' Requiem, Verdi's Requiem, Mahler's 9<sup>th</sup> Symphony, and other pieces. In addition, the orchestra toured all across China December 24 – January 13. They played 12 concerts under the direction of Zubin Mehta. The program included Tchaikovsky's 4<sup>th</sup> Symphony and Beethoven's 8<sup>th</sup> Symphony. They visited Beijing, Shanghai, Guangzhou, Xi'an, Wuhan, Tianjin, Changsha, and Hangzhou.



Lana Zimmer, PhD, Associate Professor of Education, was inducted on October 17 as a member of the Northwest Indiana Society of Innovators Class of 2013-14 for her Hoophouse Farming Eduventure, one of three innovative and creative programs funded by the Ball Venture Fund among Independent Colleges of Indiana in 2012. It was recognized as the first sustainable agriculture project of its kind at a liberal arts college in the region. *The Times* of Northwest Indiana reported on the story.

Bonnie Zimmer, Associate Professor of Art and Assistant Professor of Education, coordinated both the SJC

Art Department enrichment trip to "EXPO CHICAGO, International Contemporary & Modern Art Exposition" on September 20 and the Annual Kids' Art Tent at SJC Homecoming on October 5. She presented at the Art Education Association of Indiana's Annual Convention in Indianapolis; "Stickplay" workshop, held at Heron School of Art; and "What Can You Do with Cardboard?" art workshops for Indiana art teachers, October 18-20. Zimmer served as Artist-in-Residence during winter term at Ladoga and Walnut Elementary Schools, December 19-20, working with kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> grade art students with the theme, "Art Detectives: Investigating Your Creativity." Students worked with recycled materials to create original sculptures. Zimmer collaborated with Dr. Jennifer Coy and Dr. Anne Gull to present a workshop, "The Art and Science of Tie-Dye" on November 16 as part of the Indiana Space Grant Consortium (INSGC) Freshman STEM Program. Students created original shirts as they learned the science behind the dye process. Zimmer's art exhibitions and awards: Award of Merit, 70<sup>th</sup> Annual Juried Salon Show, South Shore Arts, Munster, Ind., September 13–November 1; Juror's Award of Merit, "Indiana Now," juried exhibition, Art Museum of Lafayette in Lafayette, Ind., September 27–November 30; exhibitor, "Sense of Place," Jasper County Art League's Annual Member Show, Prairie Arts Council's Lilian Fendig Gallery, Carnegie Center in Rensselaer, October 4–31; exhibitor, two-person show with Doris Myers, *In Harmony With Nature or Not*, Chesterton Art Center, Chesterton, Ind. October 6–November 1.



Zurn-Birkhimer

Dr. Suzanne Zurn-Birkhimer, PhD, Associate Professor of Mathematics, was session co-chair of "Geoscience Alliance: Moving Toward Earth Systems Planning for Seven Generations through Broadening the Participation of Native Americans in the Geosciences" at the

Geological Society of America (GSA) Annual Meeting in Denver in 2013. There, she also made the following presentation with Harbor, Bueno Watts, and Ridgway: "Building Relationships with Tribal College and Universities: Perspectives from a Research Intensive Institution." She was workshop co-chair of "Elevate Your Potential to Protect Your Planet and People through a Degree in Geoscience" at the American Indian Science and Engineering Society Annual Meeting in Denver in 2013.

# CHURCH MUSIC AND LITURGY OUTREACH IN CHICAGO



The Rensselaer Program of Church Music and Liturgy has expanded its presence and programming in the Chicago area over the past two years, effectively making Saint Joseph's College the area's go-to educational institution when it comes to liturgical music.

Last fall, nine students completed the first run of the new Chicago Series in Liturgical Music, a series of five courses that are accessible to part-time and volunteer liturgical musicians and others whose responsibilities make a full month of summer study impossible. In addition to two three-day intensives held in Rensselaer, three SJC graduate courses are offered on Monday nights in the Chicago area. The inaugural run of the Series received overwhelmingly positive reviews. The second cohort will get underway at the end of June.

With support from a grant from the Adult Catechetical Teaching Aids (ACTA) Foundation, and in collaboration with the Office for Divine Worship (ODW) of the Archdiocese of Chicago, the Rensselaer Program offered its second annual Symposium in Liturgical Music last November in Western Springs, Ill. Approximately 35 music directors attended the symposium.

In addition, last fall the Rensselaer Program participated in a first-ever three-way collaborative effort with both ODW and the Chicago Office for Black Catholics. The result was "When Our Praises Go Up," a four-Saturday workshop series for musicians ministering in African-American Catholic parishes. Janco served as co-presenter for each of the workshops.

Having served as part-time director of the 54-year-old Rensselaer Program since 2006, Dr. Steven Janco was appointed to the full-time SJC faculty on August 1, 2013—an investment in the program's continued development and its new Chicago-area outreach.

## INDIAN OCEAN EXHIBIT MAKES WAVES AT SJC

Saint Joseph's College had the opportunity to be the first college in the United States to have access to a set of copper plates depicting a legal document written at the Port of Kollam, in what is now Kerala, India, in 849 CE. The plates were exhibited in the Robinson Memorial Library in the Evans Arts and Science Building on SJC's campus.

According to SJC Associate Professor of History and Fulbright Scholar Dr. Illicia Sprey, the plates "shed a great deal of light on Indian Ocean maritime trade in the 9th century. The plates are considered by historians, archaeologists, anthropologists, sociologists, and others as the most important inscription source to come to light in some time."

Fulbright Scholar Dr. Kenneth R. Hall from the Department of History at Ball State University was in charge of safely delivering the exhibit to SJC, as well as providing a small seminar on the importance of the plates. Dr. Hall specializes in the history of ancient India and Southeast Asia.

Although the Indian Ocean was among the first maritime spaces of exchange, scholars know surprisingly little about

the area before the late 15th century CE when European powers—Portuguese, Spanish, English, Dutch, and others—first sailed into this ocean.

Dr. Hall discussed why this new find is crucial for aspiring historians

and the importance of the multicultural world blossoming during this time period, long before the records of the European powers. He stressed the importance of "international dialogue" and how people should recognize "the distinct communities present at that time that were working out a negotiated relationship with the local populace in terms of the use of land." This level of interaction, which had been unheard of up to this point, signifies a huge advancement in terms of understanding the western powers of India and Southeast Asia.

Currently, a group of international scholars is working on transcribing and translating the copper plates and putting them into historical economic and social context. Their work will be published in 2014. The plan includes companion material from the National Geographic Channel—namely, two documentaries. The first is on Arab ship building, and the second focuses on sailing the ship constructed in the first documentary.



Dr. Kenneth Hall



Dr. Illicia Sprey

# Saint Gaspar Society

## MEMBER PROFILE:

### DAN '76 AND NANCY KRODEL



**HOW DID YOU INCLUDE SJC IN YOUR ESTATE PLAN?** SJC is included in our Joint Living Trust Agreement. Our trustee will distribute a percentage of the trust assets to SJC. We agreed to give a percentage rather than a specific amount in hopes that the assets and investments will continue to increase, making the donation more valuable.

**WHAT INSPIRED YOU TO INCLUDE SJC IN YOUR ESTATE PLAN?** My dad, Bill Krodel '50, was a very dedicated alumnus who provided money, time, and talent to SJC during his life. My brother Tom '79 and I followed in our dad's footsteps by attending SJC.

I received an excellent education at SJC and the SJC college life experience prepared me for a successful career in Information Technology with both AT&T and IBM. From my dad's example, I believe that alumni who benefit from their SJC experience should give something back.

**DESCRIBE YOUR ESTATE PLANNING PROCESS.** We used an estate planning attorney to set up our estate plan. The difficult part of estate planning was finding the time to meet with our attorney to review the balance sheet and the married client questionnaire forms and the draft estate planning documents. Time is required to review the General Durable and Health Care Power of Attorney, the Living Will, the Last Will and Testament, and the Joint Living Trust Agreement documents to insure they meet requirements and wishes.

The process to include SJC in the trust was very simple. When discussing the trust with our attorney, we said we wanted to make a donation to Saint Joseph's College. The attorney asked what percentage we would like to give. It could not have been any easier.

**WHAT IMPACT DO YOU HOPE YOUR GIFT WILL HAVE?** We donate to SJC because we want the College to prosper and continue to provide quality education and the unique SJC college life experience for students for years to come.

# CLASS [NOTES]

**S. Ken Dolan** '57 retired from Capitol College, Laurel, Md. after more than 10 years and after more than 39 years at NASA.

**Richard (Dick) J. Hagye** '63 and his wife Julie celebrated their 55<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. Dick and Julie live in Norton Shores, Mich. They have two sons, Dick Jr. and Michael, and five grandchildren. Dick is a retired banker (37 years) and Julie is an unretired homemaker.

**Art Voellinger** '63 published his second sports book, *Double Play*, via iUniverse of Bloomington, Ind., available at Amazon.com. In 2013, Voellinger was inducted into the Greater St. Louis Amateur Baseball Hall of Fame and also received the first ever Mon-Clair men's baseball league Lifetime Achievement Award.

**John Reardon** '64 published a book on the history of Citibank: *Celebrating the Past—Defining the Future*. Reardon was in charge of Citibank in South Vietnam in 1972 and saw to the closing of the bank as the country was turned over to North Vietnam. The TV show *60 Minutes* ran a segment about the book and Reardon was interviewed for the show.

**Rev. Dr. Charles W. Webb** '66 was the assistant pastor/medical missionary at Trinity Lutheran Church, Traverse City, Mich. He traveled to Guatemala five times on mission trips and to Nairobi, Kenya twice. Charles has retired from medicine, but continues as part-time assistant pastor at Trinity Lutheran Church.

**Joseph R. Thompson, Sr.** '67 was inducted into the 2013 Trinity High School Hall of Fame, Louisville, Ky.

**Daniel J. Layden** '68 has been the Director of the Irish Railroad Workers Museum since 2000. He was the 2010 recipient of the JFK Friends of Ireland Award and the 2013 Grand Marshal for the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Baltimore, Md.

**Christopher Stohr** '71 is a member of the Urbana Sister City committee, which was recognized with the 2013 Champaign-Urbana International Humanitarian Award in the area of Humanitarian Relief. The committee participated in work in Zomba, Malawi as part of the African Urban Poverty Alleviation Program sponsored by Sister Cities International. Chris is continuing to work in Zomba by managing the Sino-African Initiative (SAI) to divert putrescible wastes from being landfill to sustainable composting for

agricultural use. As part of the tri-party SAI project, Chris visited Malawi and participated in a conference in Kenya in January; as part of an official delegation, he met with city officials in Guangzhou, China last summer.

**Larry T. Kwiat** '72 was voted the 2013 Lake Michigan Sail Racing Federation (LMSRF) Area Yachtsman of the Year by the LMSRF Area III Steering Committee. They annually recognize an individual who performed deeds and/or services of an exceptional nature and is dedicated to sailboat racing.

**Deborah A. DeSalvo** '82 received a master's degree in Education in 2006 and a master's degree in Reading in 2011, both from Roosevelt University, Chicago, Ill. She is a 6th grade teacher in the Northwest Chicago suburbs.

**Sara Vander Werff** '88 was elected city comptroller for Grand Rapids, Mich.

**Joseph A. Arias** '92 was promoted to Director of Customer Operations for Fiserv.

**Sheryl Klemme Christmas** '93 and **Sloan Haughey Swanson** '93 will be honored as members of the Silver Anniversary Team at the Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame Women's Annual Awards Banquet being held at Primo Banquet Hall, Indianapolis, Ind. on April 26, 2014.

**Brian Duncan** '96 completed the Principal Licensure program in May 2013 at Indiana Wesleyan University, earning a post-master's certificate.

**Andrea Dick Trevino** '99 was named Allen County (Ind.) Circuit Court magistrate.

**Michael Gomez** '01 is Account Director at Discovery USA, Chicago, Ill.

**Maura Giles** '02 played the role of LaVonda Dupree in the Spotlight Players production of *Sordid Lives*, which ran in August 2013 in the Indianapolis community theatre.

**Colleen Flynn Dault** '03 received a Master of Science in Management and Organizational Behavior from Benedictine University in August 2013.

**Roger Spitzer** '09 received his Master of Divinity from Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, Ky. and is now youth pastor at the Community Church of Kamrar in Kamrar, Iowa.

**Heather Madden '09** is supervisor of Homebuilders in Lafayette. Homebuilders is an intensive, in-home crisis intervention and family treatment program designed to prevent out-of-home placements, to keep families safe, and to effectively reunify. The program is strengths-based and focuses on teaching and developing skills in order to empower families to make meaningful change.

**Kelso Daning '13** was named Director of Bands for Rensselaer Central School Corporation, Rensselaer, Ind.

**Steven Slobodecki '13** is the Account Executive of Membership Sales for the San Diego Padres.

**Katie Wolve '13** was awarded an assistantship in the Cardiac Rehabilitation Program at the University of South Carolina, Aiken, SC.

## ENGAGEMENTS

**Natalie Salinas '05** to Joe Ptaszynski. A May 2015 wedding is planned.

**Erin Marie Jones '06** to Lee Shaver '09.

**Jim Jaworski '07** to Stephenie Hash '11. An October 2014 wedding is planned.

**Sarah Osterfeld '09** to Matt Farrell.

**Shawna Hass '11** to Phillip Drennan. An April 2014 wedding is planned.

**Ryan Melson '11** to **Megan Davis '12**. A May 2014 wedding is planned.

**Darius Bates '12** to Tiana McCullough. An April 2014 wedding is planned.



**Matt Slawson '12** to **Morgan O'Donnell '12**. A November 2014 wedding is planned.

**Kelso Daning '13** to Gayle Arend '14. A June 2014 wedding is planned.

## MARRIAGES

**John "Jack" Shanahan '75** to **Patricia Mulcahy '78**, 10/12/13.

**Kristen Putt '04** to Mike Young, 8/17/13.

**Belinda Janowski '05** to **Russell Karas '05**, 06/08/13.

**Brandon Deardorff '05** to Kelly Duncan, 7/27/13. Pumas in the wedding party included **William Hardy, Jr. '05**, **Anthony Sasak '05**, and **Eric Grutzius '06**.

**Heather Mikus '06** to Steve Olson, 9/12/12.

**Laura E. Zak '06** to Thomas Wachter, 8/24/13.

**Randy Brooks '06** (SJC employee) to Stephanie Horstmann, 11/30/13.

**DeMarreo Campbell '07** to **Eryn Speed '07**, 9/29/12.

**Bridgette Callahan '07** to Matthew Jenkins, 6/7/13. Pumas in attendance included **Erin Johnson Atkinson '10**, **Cord '08** and **Megan Barker Atkinson '07**, **Chris McConnell Childers '07**, **Abby Barker Collins '08**, **Emily Lyons '07**, **Sarah Santor '10**, **Ed '11** and **Meagan Anderson Schlueter '10**.

**Kyle Barone '07** to **Robyn Bozych '09**, 6/29/13. Pumas in the wedding party included **Dane Brown '07**, **Rick Earp '07**, **Kathy Seager Martin '08**, **Joy Trendelman '08**, **Kurt Barone '09**, **Marissa Wartenberg '09**, **Sara Cramer '10**, **Lindsey House '10**, Jake Wanner '10, and **Katie Corley '09**.

**Adam Kurtz '07** to **Stephanie Buck '08**, 8/3/13.

**Trisha Tabler '08** to Luke Robinson, 6/1/13. Pumas in attendance included **David Ketcham '80**, **Greg '86** and **Lisa Smith Ketcham '86**, **Kim Klaus '08**, and **Viktorya Meyers George '09**.

**Jenna Robinson '08** to **Jeff McDole, Jr. '08**, 6/22/13.

**Anna M. Schlater '08** to Caleb Mikels, 10/19/13.

**Cole Buschman '09** to **Kasey Ewen '13**, 7/20/13.

**Douglas Buysse '09** to **Meghan O'Neill '09**, 10/12/13.

**Stephanie Storer '10** to Aaron Crague, 6/29/13.



Adam Kurtz '07 to  
Stephanie Buck '08

**Jaime Gingerich '10** to Daniel Moeloa, 7/27/13.

**Sara Ritter '10** to Bradlee Synesael, 9/21/13.

**Maria Klingaman '11** to Seth Leitner, 9/26/11.

**Gloria Thornburg '11** to **Michael Weesner '13**, 6/15/13.

**Kevin Quackenbush '11** to **Rosanne Headley '11**, 6/22/13.

**Christina Graves '11** to Travis Mattocks, 8/10/13.

**Kayla Ewen '12** to Josh Eldridge, 10/6/12.

**Kristen Miller '12** to Ryne Bozell, 5/25/13.

**Steven Ploense '12** to **Amber Melvin '12**, 6/15/13.

**Colin Roberts '12** to Jenny Forwark, 6/15/13.

**Anna Rohaly '12** to Josh Marrah, 6/15/13.

**Seth Sailors '12** to Lynn Andrews, 6/15/13.

**Jade Anthrop '12** to Amie Newhart, 7/27/13.

**Keifer Mikels '13** to **Nicole Springer '13**, 6/1/13.

**Jessica Bealor '13** to Jason Strychalski, 6/29/13.

**Katie Corrigan '99** to Chris Woppel, 3/1/14.

## BIRTHS

Samuel Ryan Stiltner to **Kristin Gandurski Stiltner '05** and Jason Stiltner on 1/7/14.

Loralei Corynn Hoffman to **Randy '04** and **Susan Huss Hoffman '04**, 10/10/12. Loralei is welcomed to the family by big sister Lilly (3).

Emma Rose Cici to Joseph and **Shannon Kline Cici '00**, 12/28/12. Emma joins big brother Patrick (10).

Mia Lynn Johnsen to Matt and **Carrie Chocholek Johnsen '00**, 1/28/13. Mia is welcomed to the family by big brother Jace (6) and big sister Lexi (4).

Brody Daniel Randolph to Amy and **Daniel Randolph '97**, 4/2/13.

Danica Grace Graf to Nicole and **Nathan Graf '09**, 4/17/13.

Hailey Marie Franklin to Jim and **Nicki Crispo Franklin '94**, 5/21/13. Hailey is welcomed to the family by godmother **Kim Patch Barry '94**.

Emily Annmarie Bugajski to **Brian '05** and **Kristi Zurawski Bugajski '05**, 6/7/13. Emily joins big sister Elizabeth (1).

Peyton Brandon Stutsman to Brandon and **Melissa Kleinmaus Stutsman '03**, 6/7/13.



Samuel Ryan Stiltner



Emma Rose Cici



Mia Lynn Johnsen

Emma Louise Chapman to Mike and Jessica Chapman, SJC Assistant Director of Career Development, 7/17/13.

Matthew Heinz to **Brock '01** and **Catherine Cox Heinz '01**, 8/1/13. Matthew is welcomed to the family by big brothers William (4), Casey (2), and big sister Elizabeth (1).

Alivia Gayle Graf to SJC Fellows Scott and **Elizabeth Morris Graf '04** (SJC Assistant Vice President of Institutional Advancement and Marketing), 8/7/13. Alivia is welcomed to the family by big sisters Haley (8), Madison (7), and Marlee (2), and grandaunt **Linda Sayler Kingma '84**.

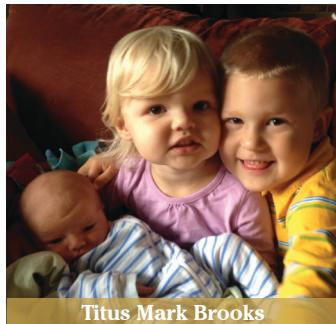
Lucy Lehman Stavros to Andy and **Jennifer Lehman Stavros '95**, 9/13/13. Lucy is welcomed to the family by big sisters and brothers Adeline (14), Avery (11), Peter (8), and Jackson (5).

Titus Mark Brooks to Scott and **Lisa Grilliot Brooks '05**, 10/1/13. Titus is welcomed to the family by big brother Judah (4) and sister Hosanna (2).

Margaret Eulalie Helen Hensch to Brad and **Erin Breetzke Hensch '98**, 10/3/13. Margaret is welcomed to the family by aunt **Amanda Breetzke Havens '01**.

Nicholas William Schroeder to Michael and **Jackie Ullery Schroeder '04**, 10/5/13.

Hadley Sue Ann LeBeau to Jeff and **Ashley Altman LeBeau '12**, 10/9/13.



**Titus Mark Brooks**



**Margaret Eulalie Helen Hensch**

Grant Edward Flaningham to Glen and **Susie Butz Flaningham '93**, 10/10/13. Grant joins big sister Julia (2).

Harper Alicia Potts and Blake Stone Potts, 10/15/13. They are welcomed to the family by proud grandmother, SJC Fellow, and SJC Admissions Secretary & Applications Processing Coordinator April Potts; and aunt **April Floyd Lambert '01**.

Koen Daniel Brettnacher to Becky and Daniel Brettnacher, both SJC Friends, 11/13/13.

Charlotte Mary-Jean Miller to Veronica R. Lane '17 and Brad Miller, 1/9/14. Charlotte is welcomed to the family by proud grandmother Tina Lane (SJC Registrar Secretary).

Abigail Tatyana Franco to Tanya and Tony Franco (SJC Assistant Professor of Business Administration), 1/11/14.

## DEATHS

Monsignor Edward C. Dunn '38, SJC Fellow, brother of **John L. Dunn '40**, 8/24/12.

**Gordon E. Bausman '42**, 10/18/13.

Thomas G. Layden '44, SJC Fellow and father of **Daniel J. Layden '68**, 11/3/12.

**John E. Heiny '47**, 5/10/05.

**James J. Buckley '48**, SJC Fellow, Sports Hall of Fame member, Alumni Board Vice President 1975-77, 1977

## ERIE EXPLOSION SIGNS DEQWAN YOUNG '08

The Erie Explosion, a Continental Indoor Football League team in Erie, Pa., announced the signing of **DeQwan Young '08** for the 2014 season. Last year, the Erie Explosion, a part of the Continental Indoor Football League (CIFL), went undefeated and won the 2013 CIFL Championship.

Young is a veteran defensive back who previously played with four different organizations, including the Johnstown Generals, Wisconsin Wolfpack, Erie Storm, and Manchester Wolves.



**DeQwan Young '08**

Young's 16 interceptions led the United Indoor Football League during the 2011 season.

A four-year starter at SJC, Young finished his career with 196 tackles and 16 tackles for a loss. The First Team All-Great Lakes Football Conference selection also recorded 15 career interceptions as a Puma. Following graduation, Young played in the Cactus Bowl All-Star game.

A native of Pontiac, Mich., Young currently resides in Pittsburgh, Pa.

Alumni Service Award recipient, father/father-in-law of Rose and **Timothy F. Buckley '73**, and uncle of Angela and **John P. Herakovich '57**, all SJC Fellows, 12/7/2013.

**Mark H. Forsthoefel '49**, cousin of Kenneth Forsthoefel '49, 9/1/10.

**James R. Heiny '50**, 12/21/12.

**Harry A. Phlipot, Jr. '51**, 2/7/11.

Robert G. Griglak '52, 10/26/07.

**Albert C. Fellinger '52** served on the SJC Board of Trustees 1972-82, and husband of Mary Beth Fellinger, both SJC Fellows, 10/21/12.

Joseph A. Bou-Sliman '53, SJC Fellow, 4/25/13.

**William J. Labadie '53**, 8/25/13.

**Rev. Bernard J. Boff '54**, SJC Class President, 2008 Wall of Honor inductee, served on the SJC Alumni Board, and an SJC Fellow, 8/8/13.

Donald J. Klimas '55, 4/4/12.

**Charles E. "Chuck" Brown '56**, 5/1/13.

**Chester J. Pilat '56**, 10/15/13.

**Sr. Mary Louise Hoelscher, C.P.P.S. '57**, 7/9/13.

Frank J. Hirsch '57, 12/2/13.

**Francis P. Mulcahey '58**, father of **Ronald Mulcahey '86**, 11/8/12.

Lavern Gross '58, husband of Anna Gross, both SJC Fellows, 6/15/13.

Donald Moorman '58, 8/26/13.

**Frank Kopanda '59**, 3/7/01.

Rodomer M. Pujo '59, 2/22/08.

**Gerald J. Friedrich '60**, 8/30/13.

**John Ohde '61**, 8/4/11.

**John F. Hoffman '61**, 6/17/13.

**Thomas J. Moloney '62**, 9/7/2012.

Glenn R. Clausen '62, 6/18/13.

**Rev. William M. Kennedy '62**, 9/19/13.

**John J. Keane '63**, 2010.

**Carl Dirksen '63**, cousin of Lowell Hemmelgarn '66, 5/3/13.

**Robert K. Imbur '63**, 7/30/13.

Dennis J. Mikutis '64, 5/18/13.

**Philip M. Bonelli '64**, 7/13/13.

**Rev. Michael J. Winkowski, C.P.P.S. '64**, 11/8/13.

**Dennis O. Darby '65**, 10/16/13.

**Robert M. Lauer '66**, 8/1/13.

**Gerald Valenzano '68**, 9/30/13.

**James J. Walsh '68**, 12/9/13.

**Rosemary A. Carnes '71**, 5/22/13.

Donald V. Stewart '71, brother of **Dale '68** and **Dana Stewart '73**; and cousin of SJC Fellows Connie and **Jacob Hagist, Jr. '67**, 12/7/13.

**Martin S. Gliko '73**, 1/3/13.

**Linda Lou Campbell '75**, 9/18/11.

**Thomas Casey '77**, 11/4/13.

**Mary Ann Reichert Marinac '79**, daughter of Doris "Dubie" and the late Donald H.; and sister of Joseph Reichert '78, **Thomas Reichert '80**, Robert Reichert '81, Nancy Reichert, Amy Engelhardt, Catherine "Jane" Johnson, and Timothy Reichert, all SJC Fellows, 11/21/13.

Victoria Cleary, wife of **Jerry J. Cleary '47** and mother of **J. Michael Cleary '76**, 9/28/06.

John A. Karpovich, father of **Theodore Karpovich '75**, 6/26/09.

Terry Lynn Hunt, wife of **James J. Hunt, Jr. '63**, 11/19/11.

Anna Mae Koval, wife of **Edward J. Koval '50**, 2012.

Rev. L. Wayne and G. Allene Smith, both SJC Fellows, 1/23/12 and 1/23/13, respectively.

Louis P. Sperka, father of **Valerie Sperka '85**, 3/12/12.

Victoria Musket, mother/mother-in-law of Georgianna and F. Ronald Musket '63, all SJC Fellows, 9/19/12.

Charles M. Henry, Jr. served on the SJC Board of Trustees 1984-88, husband of Barbara Ann Henry (deceased), and father of Charles M. Henry, III '71, all SJC Fellows, 11/1/12.

John N. Zufelt, father of SJC Fellow **Nancy Zufelt Lamothe '81**, 12/14/12.

Calvin E. "Bill" Miller, father-in-law of SJC employee and Fellow Richard Ludington; and grandfather of Todd Ludington '06, **Abby Miller Geib '07**, and **Scott Miller '07**, 2/2/13.

Mike Alt, brother of **Rev. Kenneth G. Alt, C.P.P.S. '73**, 5/2013.

Paul Brown and Anthony Brown, brothers of **Rev. Harold C. Brown, C.P.P.S. '55** and **Rev. Joseph L. Brown, C.P.P.S. '65**, 5/2/13 and 5/15/13 respectively.

Valentina Stack, mother of **Rev. Jerome P. Stack, C.P.P.S. '68** and Margaret A. Stack '82, 5/19/13.

Delores Grobbel, sister of Br. Daniel Eisenman, C.P.P.S., 5/25/13.

Dorothy J. Lynch, SJC Fellow and wife of SJC Fellow Robert Lynch, and grandmother of Brendan Massing '15, 5/28/13.

Arnold Bailey, father/father-in-law of **Stanley Bailey '75** and SJC Fellows Steven and Donna Bailey, 5/29/13.

Ruth Waling, mother/mother-in-law of Randy and **Natalie Cappuccilli Waling '82** and grandmother of Emilia, Jessica, Elaine Waling Parrish, and Rachel Waling Lansinger, all SJC Fellows, 6/9/13.

Robert J. Byerwalter, father of **Anne '83**, **Janet Byerwalter Summins '85**, and **Joseph '92**; uncle of **Barbara Byerwalter Ryan '75** and **Jeanne Byerwalter '76**, 6/10/13.

Barbara Ann Henry, SJC Fellow, mother of Charles M. Henry, III '71, 6/23/13.

Helen H. Hetzner, aunt of **Sue Marlatt George '65** and **Luanne Newcome Arihood '90**; and great aunt of **Paige Arihood '13**, 6/26/13.

John L. Rishling, SJC Fellow, 6/27/13.

Susan D. Filson, mother of Connie Filson Anderson '94, 6/30/13.

Esther O. Tillema-Dolezal, grandmother of W. Craig and Lisa Jackson, both SJC Fellows, 7/15/13.

Marilyn Brand, wife of **Kenneth J. Brand '61**, 7/20/13.

William Costas, father of **H. Jonathon Costas '79**, 7/23/13.

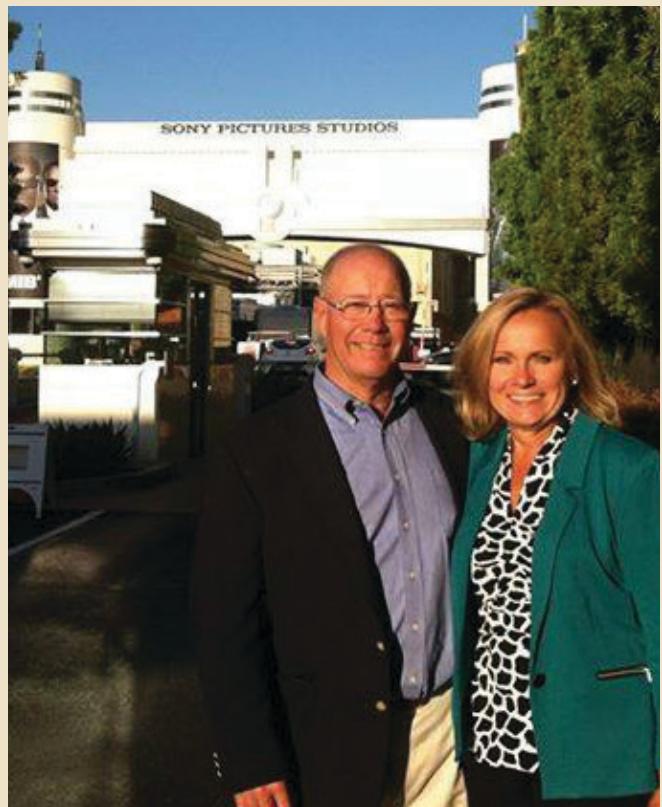
Marie L. Barton, grandmother of Scott (SJC mechanic) and **Marie Barton Ringen '94**, 7/28/13.



In the fall, **Bob Sheridan '94** and **Mark Brown '94** stopped by SJC and took time to play a little basketball.

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**John '70** and **Mary Jo Smolen Bertrand '72** at Sony Pictures Studios. They appeared on "Wheel of Fortune" on October 22 as part of "Couples' Week."



Lena P. Weishaar, grandmother of Clayton Weishaar '16, 7/29/13.

Patrick Scanlon, father/father-in-law of **William G. '89** (SJC Athletic Director, Head Track & Cross Country Coach) and **Teresa Scanlon Massoels '89** (SJC Associate Professor of Management and Marketing); and grandfather of Megan, Samantha, and Patrick Massoels '15, all SJC Fellows, 8/7/13.

John Raible, brother of **Rev. Daniel Raible, C.P.P.S. '37**, 8/12/13.

Gertrude Hentschel, mother of **Ingo W. '65** and Wolfram **H. Hentschel**, and grandmother of Ingo E. and Wolfram J. Hentschel, all SJC Fellows, 8/22/13.

Kathryn Zimmer, SJC Fellow and mother/mother-in-law of Bonnie Zimmer (SJC Associate Professor of Art); SJC Fellows Tom and Lana Zimmer (SJC Associate Professor of Education); **John "Joe" Zimmer '67**; **Richard Corea '69** (SJC Fellow); **Dennis '73** and Anita Zimmer **Risner '94** (SJC Fellow); and grandmother of **Abbey Zimmer Herrington '00**, and **Benjamin '02** and **Elliott Zimmer '05**, 8/23/13.

Anne Smith, sister of retired SJC faculty John D. Groppe; sister-in-law of Rose Marie Groppe; aunt of Elizabeth Groppe Sniegocki, David, Jennifer, John C., and Maureen; and great aunt of John D. Groppe Sniegocki and Aidan, all SJC Fellows, 8/27/13.

Marilyn Ahrns, sister of former Trustee **Br. Thomas R. Bohman, C.P.P.S. '72** and cousin of Very Reverend Kenneth Pleiman, C.P.P.S. '62, 8/30/13.

Angela Dell, wife of Joseph Dell '42, 9/17/13.

Solina M. Davison, mother of SJC Fellow, **Rev. Donald J. Davison, C.P.P.S. '75**, 9/22/13.

Harold A. Risley, grandfather of **Laurie Risley '97**, 9/25/13.

Ronald DeWees, father of **Bradley DeWees '83**, 9/27/13.

Bruce C. Grant, father/father-in-law of Joseph and Patricia Grant; grandfather of Samuel, Jaclyn, and Justina Grant, all SJC Fellows, 10/7/13.

M. Janet Bahler, wife of Charles R. Bahler and mother of Margaret Bahler, all SJC Fellows, 10/18/13.

Emily J. Robinson, wife of **Clifford F. Robinson '57**, both SJC Fellows, 10/18/13.

John C. Townsend, father/father-in-law of **Mark '97** and **Jennifer Townsend Sansone '98**, both SJC Fellows, 10/20/13.

Rachel Jan Chinnock, mother/mother-in-law of **Shawn '00** and **Jill Stevens Roser '00**, and **Meghan Roser '05**, 10/26/13.

Patricia Schweder, mother of **Jacqueline Schweder Knasel '85**, 10/29/13.

Carolyn Herber Boyle, sister of Rev. John F. Herber, C.P.P.S. '64, 10/30/13.

David Chesak, PhD served on the SJC Board of Trustees 1987-93, retired SJC Professor (32 years of teaching), SJC Fellow, husband of former SJC employee and SJC Fellow Mary Chesak; father of SJC Fellow **Lisa Chesak Lamarra '81**, **Lynne Chesak Udalov '85**, **Lina Chesak-Liberace '85**, and SJC Fellow **Donald Chesak '88**, 11/9/13.

Susan Musial, wife of SJC Fellow **Dennis Musial '75**, 11/13/13.

Loretta C. Gillen, wife of SJC Fellow **William J. Gillen '55**, 11/17/13.

Mildred Staddon, mother/mother-in-law of SJC Fellow Kathy and David W. Staddon '66, and grandparent of **Mark J. Davisson '93**, 11/17/13.

Paul E. Simpson, Jr., brother of SJC Fellow Andrew F. Simpson, 11/26/13.

Richard L. Todd, grandfather of **Sarah C. Todd '13** and Ashlyn Arihood '17, 12/4/13.

Paul Magro, former SJC Professor of Criminal Justice, 12/5/13.

Berniece Brouwer, mother/mother-in-law of Debra and Jon Brouwer (SJC Fellows) and grandmother of Stephanie and **Mark Brouwer '04** (SJC Director of Development), 12/7/13.

Joseph M. Koczan, Sr., father of SJC Business Manager for Athletics and Assistant Track and Field Coach, **Joseph M. Koczan, Jr. '01**, 12/11/13.

Marie A. Wood, mother/mother-in-law of SJC Fellows Michael and Belinda Robinson, and SJC Fellow Lisa Wood; grandmother of SJC Fellows **Jeffrey '08** and **Jenna Robinson McDole '08**, Shawon Carter '12, and SJC Fellow Clifford M. Robinson, 12/16/13.

Anna T. Henzler, mother/mother-in-law of SJC Fellows Charles and Patricia Kohley, 12/25/13.

Betty Lee Risley, grandmother of **Laurie E. Risley '97**, 12/25/13.

Doris E. Hurley, mother/mother-in-law of SJC Fellows Carol and Alan R. Hurley, 12/26/13.

Anthony H. Kohnen, SJC Fellow and served on the SJC Board of Trustees 1986-98, 12/27/13.

Rebecca Pescetto, sister of SJC Fellow **Jennifer Pescetto Boget '94** and aunt of Bradley Boget '17, 12/27/13.

George Klemp, father-in-law of Marianne Misch Klemp '91, 1/1/14.

J.B. Hamblen, brother of SJC Fellow Lauretta Anders, and uncle of **Chuck Anders '86**, 1/4/14.

Gordon E. Sanders, father of SJC Assistant Professor of Physical Education and SJC Fellow Dr. Gary E. Sanders, 1/5/14.

Matthew W. Muller, former SJC Director of Computing Services, 1/13/14.

Ian Connelly '14, 01/26/14.



#### **IAN CONNELLY '14**

"Ian was a great young man, and you could tell he had his life in order. He went about things with great preparation and organization. He always worked hard at practice and trained as best he could in order to help the team. We are collectively saddened by this loss."

**- SJC Head Men's Soccer Coach David Stroud**

"Ian was a strong, brave, and courageous person. We talked about his passing as a group and we are sad. Ian was a brother to us and had a bigger calling than all of us after college. He was going to protect our country as a Marine."

**- Mike Lipton '13, Ian's friend and soccer teammate, offered thoughts on behalf of the soccer team**



*You learned...  
You laughed...  
You loved being a Puma*

## SAINT JOSEPH'S COLLEGE 125<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY STORYTELLING PROJECT

As Saint Joseph's College marks its 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2014, we would like to celebrate by doing something that will be relevant not only for this year, but that will endure for many years to come—something that will engage and enrich generations of Pumas: storytelling.

As an alumnus/alumna, you are an important keeper of this SJC tradition. We ask that you share your most vivid and monumental SJC memories to commemorate the College's anniversary and to cherish for the future.

Throughout 2014, we will be gathering and capturing stories; we will be publishing these stories on the College website, in *Keeping in Contact*, and in *Contact*, as well as feature in campus displays.

If you wish, you may respond to the questions below to help tell your story. Photos are always appreciated. Send high quality JPEGs to [cbs@saintjoe.edu](mailto:cbs@saintjoe.edu).

### MY PUMA STORY

Name:

Class year:

Major/minor:

What are your most vivid SJC memories? They may consist of people, events, projects, issues, circumstances, or situations.

Was there a monumental event that took place or something noteworthy in your time at SJC?

What was campus like when you attended?

Who/what influenced you the most?



# EVENTS

## [CALENDAR]

All times are CDT unless otherwise indicated.

### SPRING 2014

- 5/4** Spring Orchestra Concert, 2:00 pm  
Spring Choral Concert, 4:00 pm
- 5/10** Commencement, Richard F. Scharf Alumni Fieldhouse, 1:00 pm
- 5/16** Trustees Scholarship Dinner and Auction
- 6/7** Fellows Mass, Induction, and Luncheon

### SPORTS SCHEDULE

GLVC games are in *italics*.

#### Baseball

- 5/3** *University of Illinois Springfield*, 12:00 pm  
**5/4** *University of Illinois Springfield*, 12:00 pm

#### Men's and Women's Track and Field

- 5/2-5/3** Great Lakes Valley Conference Championship, Romeoville, Ill.
- 5/9** Second-to-Last-Chance Meet, Allendale, Mich.
- 5/10** Last Chance Meet, Allendale, Mich.

Actors From The London Stage visited campus in February for a week-long residency and two performances of Shakespeare's comedy *As You Like It*.

### TRIP TO IRELAND

**9-day trip in May**  
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